

**SUPPORT AND PARENTING TIME ENFORCEMENT ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 295 of 1982**

**552.603 Support order; enforcement.**

Sec. 3. (1) A support order issued by a court of this state shall be enforced as provided in this act.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a support order that is part of a judgment or is an order in a domestic relations matter is a judgment on and after the date the support amount is due as prescribed in section 5c, with the full force, effect, and attributes of a judgment of this state, and is not, on and after the date it is due, subject to retroactive modification. Retroactive modification of a support payment due under a support order is permissible with respect to a period during which there is pending a petition for modification, but only from the date that notice of the petition was given to the payer or recipient of support.

(3) This section does not apply to an ex parte interim support order or a temporary support order entered under supreme court rule.

(4) The office of the friend of the court shall make available to a payer or payee the forms and instructions described in section 5 of the friend of the court act, MCL 552.505.

(5) This section does not prohibit a court approved agreement between the parties to retroactively modify a support order. This section does not limit other enforcement remedies available under this or another act.

(6) Every support order that is part of a judgment issued by a court of this state or that is an order in a domestic relations matter shall include all of the following:

(a) Substantially the following statement: "Except as otherwise provided in section 3 of the support and parenting time enforcement act, 1982 PA 295, MCL 552.603, a support order that is part of a judgment or that is an order in a domestic relations matter as defined in section 2 of the friend of the court act, 1982 PA 294, MCL 552.502, is a judgment on and after the date each support payment is due, with the full force, effect, and attributes of a judgment of this state, and is not, on and after the date it is due, subject to retroactive modification. A surcharge will be added to support amounts that are past due as provided in section 3a of the support and parenting time enforcement act, 1982 PA 295, MCL 552.603a."

(b) Notice informing the payer of the imposition of liens by operation of law and that the payer's real and personal property can be encumbered or seized if an arrearage accrues in an amount greater than the amount of periodic support payments payable under the payer's support order for the time period specified in the support and parenting time enforcement act, 1982 PA 295, MCL 552.601 to 552.650.

(7) Each support order that is an order in a friend of the court case shall include all of the following:

(a) A requirement that, within 21 days after the payer or payee changes his or her residential or mailing address, that individual report the new address and his or her telephone number in writing to the friend of the court.

(b) A requirement that both the payer and payee notify the office of the friend of the court if he or she holds an occupational license and if he or she holds a driver's license.

(c) The name, address, and telephone number of the payer's and payee's current sources of income.

(d) A requirement that both the payer and payee inform the office of the friend of the court of his or her social security number and driver's license number. The requirement of this subdivision to provide a social security number with the information does not apply to a payer or payee who demonstrates he or she is exempt under law from obtaining a social security number or to a payer or payee who for religious convictions is exempt under law from disclosure of his or her social security number under these circumstances. The court shall inform the payer and payee of this possible exemption.

(e) Notice that an order for dependent health care coverage takes effect immediately and will be sent to the parent's current and subsequent employers and insurers if appropriate. The notice shall inform the parent that he or she may contest the action by requesting a review or hearing concerning availability of health care coverage at a reasonable cost.

(8) A support order shall not accrue interest.

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